

ARIZONA – WEEKLY INFLUENZA SUMMARY MMWR Week 7 (2/15/09 – 2/21/09) – Posted 2/24/09

Weekly Influenza Summary:

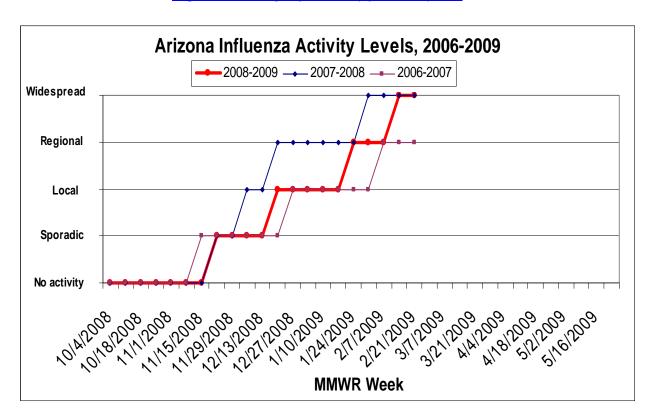
As of 2/24/2009, a total of 353 laboratory-confirmed cases of influenza were reported to ADHS for the 2008-09 season, and Arizona is reporting widespread influenza activity to CDC for the week ending 2/21/2009. Cases have been reported from fourteen counties (Apache, Cochise, Coconino, Gila, Graham, La Paz, Maricopa, Mohave, Navajo, Pima, Pinal, Santa Cruz, Yavapai, and Yuma). The influenza-like-illness rate is higher than the state baseline for week 6. One influenza-associated pediatric death was reported to ADHS for the current season.

Data in this report are provisional and may change as more reports are received.

National influenza surveillance data are available at the CDC's Influenza Surveillance site (http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/fluactivity.htm).

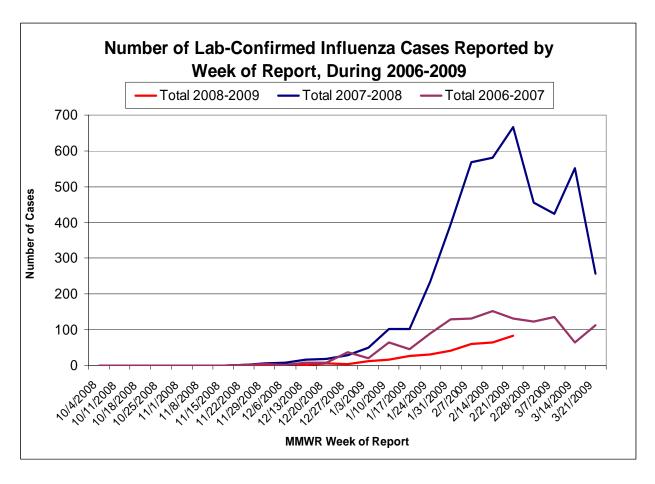
Arizona Influenza Activity Levels:

The graph below shows the influenza activity levels reported to the CDC for this season only. For week 7, Arizona reported widespread activity. Definitions of these reporting categories can be found at Definitions: http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/fluactivity.htm.



Laboratory-Confirmed Influenza Activity by Season [2006-2009]:

Arizona laboratories report positive influenza tests to ADHS. The positive cases are counted by the date of report to ADHS.



Laboratory-Confirmed Influenza Activity by County:

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Key:

* = Any activity reported this season

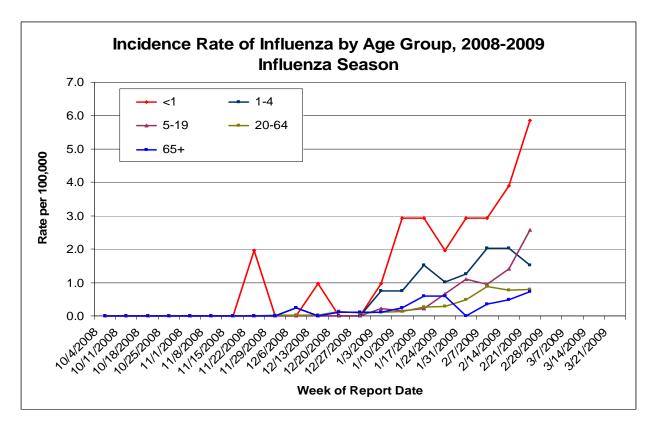
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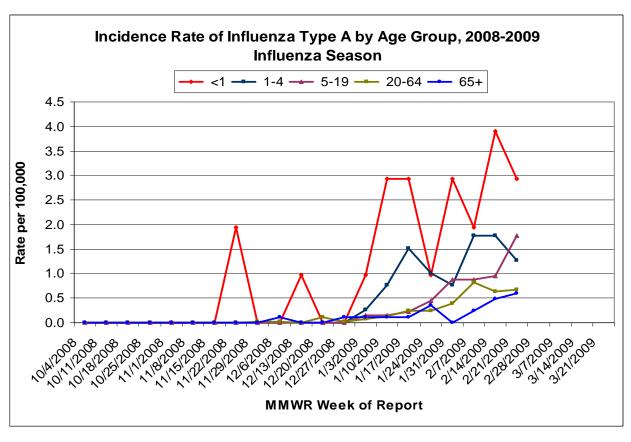
	Number of Laboratory-Confirmed Cases				
County	2008-2009 Season	Last Week	Last 3 Weeks		
Apache	9	2	6		
Cochise	13	0	4		
Coconino	30	9	18		
Gila	2	0	1		
Graham	6	1	1		
Greenlee	0	0	0		
La Paz	3	2	2		
Maricopa	196	50	117		
Mohave	1	0	1		
Navajo	14	2	10		
Pima	68	16	41		
Pinal	5	1	2		
Santa Cruz	1	0	1		
Yavapai	2	0	1		
Yuma	3	0	2		
Unknown	0	0	0		
Total	353	83	207		

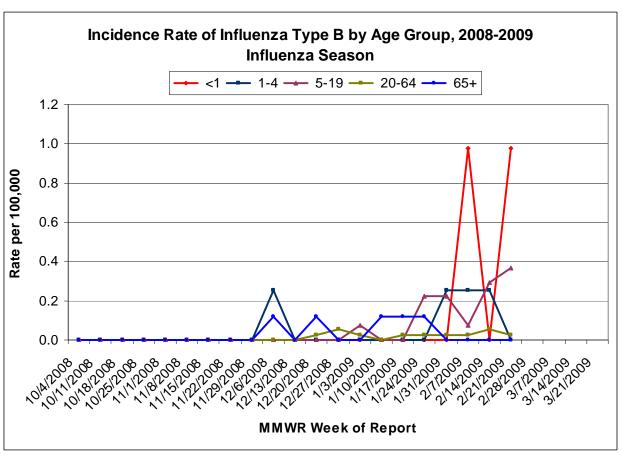
Laboratory-Confirmed Influenza Activity by Age Group:

The graph below shows the rate of lab-confirmed influenza by age for the season.



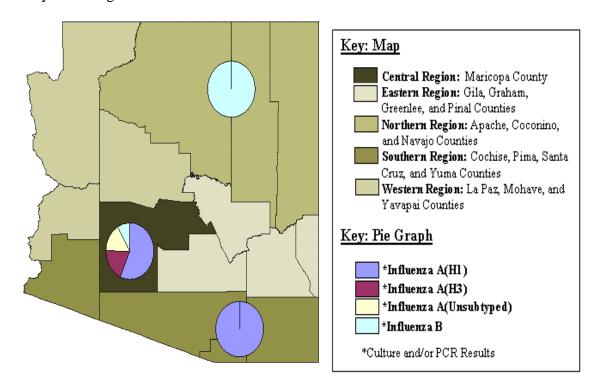
Prior influenza exposure, vaccination, or other factors may affect which age groups are affected by circulating influenza viruses. The graphs below show the rate of reported influenza, by viral type.





Laboratory Surveillance:

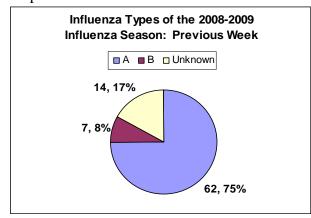
The results below show only culture and/or PCR results reported to ADHS from the Arizona State Laboratory or other laboratories across the state during the previous three weeks or from February 1st through the 21st.

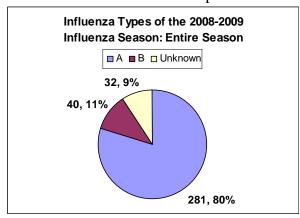


Region	Influenza A(H1)	Influenza A(H3)	Influenza A(Unsubtyped)	Influenza B
Central	27 (53.6%)	9 (18.8%)	8 (16.7%)	4 (8.3%)
Eastern	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)
Southern	2 (100.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)
Northern	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (100.0%)
Western	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)

Laboratories report positive influenza tests to ADHS. Data are then compiled based on influenza type from all positive laboratory tests.

The pie charts below show all lab-confirmed cases of influenza in the noted time periods.





	Season (2008-2009)	Percent Total (2008-2009)	Season (2007-2008)	Percent Total (2007-2008)	Season (2006-2007)	Percent Total (2006-2007)
Total*	353	100%	5,168	100%	1,663	100%
Influenza A*	281	80%	2,898	56%	1,116	67%
A/H1 †	60	17%	184	4%	235	14%
A/H3 †	18	5%	234	5%	31	2%
A/Unsubtyped †	11	3%	257	5%	185	11%
Influenza B*	40	11%	1900	37%	355	21%
B/Victoria lineage †	2	1%	0	0%	38	2%
B/Yamagata lineage †	0	0%	181	4%	5	1%
B/Unsubtyped †	5	1%	325	6%	120	7%
Unknown*	32	9%	370	7%	192	12%

^{*} Data for the bolded categories include all tests.

[†] Data for the subcategories include only culture and PCR tests conducted at the Arizona State Laboratory or other reporting laboratories.

		Percent		Percent		Percent
	Arizona†	Total	Mountain Region*	Total	Nationwide*	Total
	(2008-2009)	(2008-2009)	(2008-2009)	(2008-2009)	(2008-2009)	(2008-2009)
Total	96	100%	550	100%	8,120	100%
Influenza A	89	93%	515	94%	6,442	79%
A/H1	60	67%	105	20%	2,120	33%
A/H3	18	20%	61	12%	249	4%
A/Unsubtyped	11	12%	349	68%	4,073	63%
Influenza B	7	7%	35	6%	1,678	21%

[†] Data represents the cumulative results for all culture and PCR tests conducted at the Arizona State Laboratory or other reporting laboratories within the state of Arizona through MMWR 7 or week ending 2/21/2009.

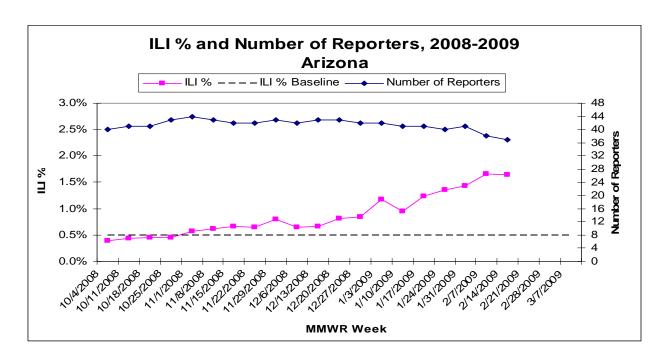
Mortality Surveillance:

The first influenza-associated pediatric death was reported to ADHS during the 2008-2009 influenza season and was reported to CDC for the week ending 2/21/2009. The case was coinfected with the influenza B virus and *Stapylococcus aureus*.

Influenza-Like Illness (ILI) Surveillance from Sentinel Providers:

The proportion of patient visits to sentinel providers for ILI in the state was 1.6% for the week ending 2/14/2009 (week 6). This value is much higher than the state baseline of 0.5%. As of 2/24/2009, 37 sentinel providers reported by the end of week 6. ILI is defined as a fever of at least 100°F plus either a cough or a sore throat.

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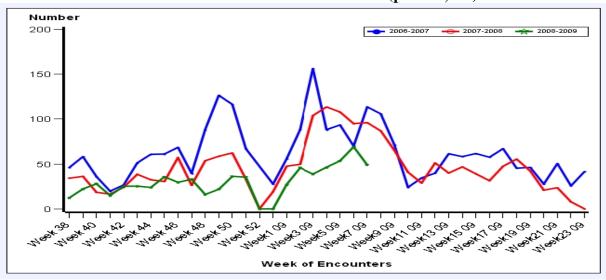


Influenza-Like Illness (ILI) Surveillance from Participating Arizona Schools:

ADHS and the Arizona School Nurse Consortium (AZSNC) developed and implemented a software program called Child Health Indicator Program (CHIP) to assist school nurses in electronic management of student health records. Currently, nurses in 331 Arizona schools use the software to collect information on student health conditions for 266 nursing diagnosis codes, including influenza-like illness (ILI), rash, and gastrointestinal illness (GI).

The graph presents the weekly trend of ILI syndromes reported among students during the school years of 2006-2007, 2007-2008, and 2008-2009. The number of school nurse encounters are not diagnosed cases of communicable diseases but are based on the nursing codes that school nurses enter to track student conditions. Also, the numbers in the graph are only from schools that used CHIP during the school year.







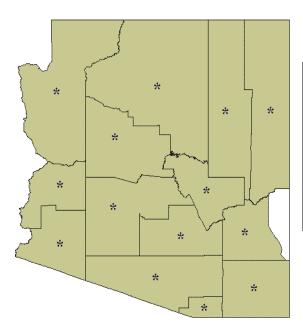
ARIZONA – WEEKLY RSV SUMMARY MMWR Week 7 (2/15/09 – 2/21/09) – Posted 2/24/09

Weekly RSV Summary:

As of 2/24/2009, 1,775 lab-confirmed cases were reported to ADHS during the 2008-2009 season.

Lab-Confirmed RSV Cases Reported by County:

Since October 2004, laboratories have been required to report positive RSV tests to ADHS.



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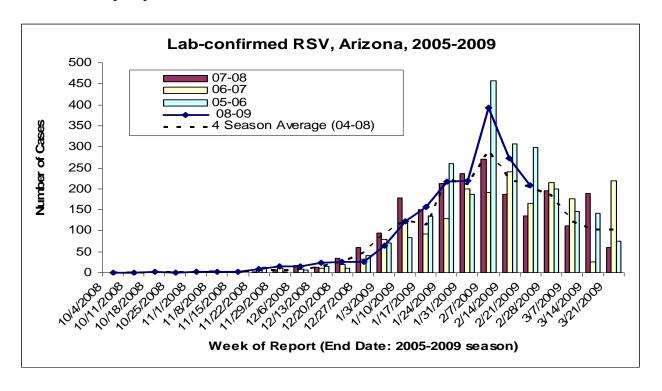
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Greenlee	0	0	0		
La Paz	7	0	2		
Maricopa	1207	123	577		
Mohave	48	7	24		
Navajo	50	14	46		
Pima	214	21	77		
Pinal	82	21	57		
Santa Cruz	6	1	4		
Yavapai	7	2	6		
Yuma	17	4	11		
Unknown	0	0	0		
Total	1775	208	874		

Laboratory Surveillance:

Laboratories report positive RSV tests to ADHS.



Laboratory-Confirmed RSV Activity by Age and Gender:

Laboratories report positive RSV tests to ADHS.

